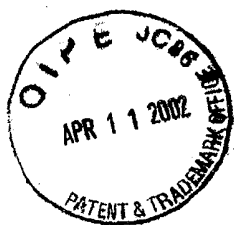


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In response to the Notice of Missing Parts mailed February 19, 2002, and in order to comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, 37 C.F.R. § 1.821-1.825, Applicants submit herewith the required paper copy and computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing. Please amend the specification in adherence with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821-1.825 as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace Table IV, spanning pages 20-21, with the following amended table: